

I would suggest, Mr. Chairman, the rules are not rules if you only follow them when you want to. The Democrats promised pay-as-you-go rules for everything. Instead, they are picking and choosing, picking and choosing when to do so. At home, we call that breaking a rule and breaking a promise.

So while what this bill does is extremely important, \$20.973 billion is a considerable amount of money even here in Washington, and it is equally important that we are good stewards of the hard-earned money of the American people. We should not limit our talk about fiscal responsibility only when it is politically convenient.

So I urge the new majority to rededicate itself to the principle of pay-as-you-go spending. Fiscal responsibility shouldn't be something that is just talked about only on the campaign trail.

Mr. Chairman, I urge adoption of this commonsense, fiscally responsible, pay-as-you-go amendment.

Mr. EHLERS. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word.

In the midst of all this serious debate about an extremely important bill, I would like to pause just a moment to have a lighter moment that we can all enjoy as we recognize that one of our leading Members in this Congress tomorrow reaches a major milestone. The ranking member of the Science Committee, the gentleman from Texas, Mr. RALPH HALL, tomorrow will begin the second half of his life. He reaches the age of 84 tomorrow. So we can all celebrate with him and appreciate the tremendous contributions he has made to this Congress and to this country.

And I think it is entirely appropriate that on the eve of this important occasion, he spends the entire evening in this Chamber debating the esoteric aspects of science and its results.

So I hope all of you will join me at some point in the next day of wishing Mr. HALL an immensely wonderful 84th birthday tomorrow.

Mr. BAIRD. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word.

Mr. Chairman, I want to share the happy birthday wishes to the distinguished ranking member and thank him for his bipartisan participation in not only this, but so many endeavors.

Congratulations, RALPH. You are a dear friend and a model to many of us, and I very much appreciate all your service.

I also want to thank Chairman GORDON for his leadership in not only this bill but the entire innovation agenda that has been moving through this Congress so efficiently and with, again, good bipartisan support.

I mentioned Mr. EHLERS repeatedly earlier tonight. He has been so central to the passage of this bill. And I especially want to thank the majority staff and the minority staff. We have worked very well together.

And I want to thank my dear friends and colleagues on the other side.

Though we have had a spirited disagreement on some issues and agreed on some, it has been a civil debate, a well-intentioned debate, and I think it has advanced our discussion of the important role of this legislation.

The amendment by the gentleman from Georgia has been offered before. It has been defeated before on other bills. I would urge its defeat. And after we accomplish that, I would urge passage of this otherwise outstanding bill.

Mr. HALL of Texas. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word.

I just want to rise to first thank Dr. EHLERS and reiterate my support for H.R. 1867. I think we have a good bill here that propels us on down the innovation and competitiveness path that the President is on and that we have been on. I also thank Chairman GORDON and Chairman BAIRD.

Dr. EHLERS, I thank you again for helping to make this a better bill. In fact, I would argue that there is no one in this body more familiar with NSF than you are.

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I thank you for your work for and against some of these amendments.

I rise in support of the bill and urge an "aye" vote on it.

And, Dr. BAIRD, I thank you personally for your kindness and the classy way you've handled yourself today.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chairman announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Georgia will be postponed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

The amendment to Amendment No. 1 by Mr. SULLIVAN of Oklahoma.

Amendment No. 1 by Mr. HONDA of California.

Amendment No. 5 by Mr. CAMPBELL of California.

Amendment No. 4 by Mr. CAMPBELL of California.

Amendment No. 11 by Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey.

Amendment No. 7 by Mr. FLAKE of Arizona.

Amendment No. 8 by Ms. MATSUI of California.

Amendment No. 2 by Mr. PRICE of Georgia.

The Chair will reduce to 2 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.

#### AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. SULLIVAN TO AMENDMENT NO. 1 OFFERED BY MR. HONDA

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a re-

corded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. SULLIVAN) to the amendment offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. HONDA) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

#### RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 166, noes 250, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 287]

#### AYES—166

Aderholt	Franks (AZ)	Nunes
Akin	Frelinghuysen	Pearce
Alexander	Galleghy	Pence
Bachmann	Garrett (NJ)	Peterson (PA)
Bachus	Gingrey	Petri
Baker	Gohmert	Pickering
Barrett (SC)	Goode	Pitts
Barton (TX)	Goodlatte	Poe
Billbray	Granger	Price (GA)
Bilirakis	Hall (TX)	Pryce (OH)
Bishop (UT)	Hastert	Putnam
Blackburn	Hastings (WA)	Regula
Blunt	Hayes	Rehberg
Boehner	Heller	Reichert
Bonner	Hensarling	Renzi
Bono	Herger	Reynolds
Boozman	Hobson	Rogers (AL)
Boustany	Hoekstra	Rogers (KY)
Brady (TX)	Hulshof	Rogers (MI)
Brown (SC)	Inglis (SC)	Rohrabacher
Brown-Waite,	Issa	Ros-Lehtinen
Ginny	Jindal	Roskam
Buchanan	Jones (NC)	Royce
Burton (IN)	Jordan	Ryan (WI)
Buyer	Keller	Sali
Calvert	King (IA)	Schmidt
Camp (MI)	King (NY)	Sensenbrenner
Campbell (CA)	Kingston	Sessions
Cantor	Kline (MN)	Shadegg
Capito	Knollenberg	Shimkus
Carter	Lamborn	Shuster
Chabot	Latham	Simpson
Cole (OK)	Lewis (CA)	Smith (NE)
Conaway	Lewis (KY)	Smith (TX)
Costello	Linder	Souder
Crenshaw	Lucas	Stearns
Culberson	Lungren, Daniel	Sullivan
Davis (KY)	E.	Taylor
Davis, David	Mack	Terry
Deal (GA)	Manzullo	Thornberry
Diaz-Balart, L.	Marchant	Tiahrt
Diaz-Balart, M.	McCarthy (CA)	Tiberi
Doolittle	McCauley (TX)	Turner
Drake	McCotter	Upton
Dreier	McCrery	Walberg
Duncan	McHenry	Walden (OR)
Ellsworth	McKeon	Wamp
Emerson	Mica	Weldon (FL)
English (PA)	Miller (FL)	Weller
Everett	Miller (MI)	Westmoreland
Fallin	Miller, Gary	Whitfield
Flake	Moran (KS)	Wicker
Forbes	Murphy, Tim	Wilson (NM)
Fortenberry	Musgrave	Wilson (SC)
Fossella	Myrick	Young (AK)
Fox	Neugebauer	Young (FL)

#### NOES—250

Abercrombie	Berman	Burgess
Ackerman	Berry	Butterfield
Allen	Biggart	Capps
Altmire	Bishop (GA)	Capuano
Andrews	Bishop (NY)	Cardoza
Arcuri	Blumenauer	Carnahan
Baca	Bordallo	Carney
Baird	Boren	Carson
Baldwin	Boswell	Castle
Barrow	Boucher	Castor
Bartlett (MD)	Boyd (FL)	Chandler
Bean	Boyd (KS)	Christensen
Becerra	Braley (IA)	Clarke
Berkley	Brown, Corrine	Clay